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4-H Year starts October 1st

Mar 1 - Ldrs Council Mtg

Mar 23-25 - Shooting Sports Leader Certification workshop

Mar 24-25 - Teen Conference

April 21-22 - RATT , Branson

Webster County Clover Sayings



February 2018

Dear 4-H Families,

In reflecting on the month of February and thinking about President's Day and the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington, an illustration came to mind from Paul Lee Tan's Encyclopedia of Illustrations entitled, "The Song America."

"One bleak day in February 1832, a young theological student sat in his room at Andover Seminary, Samuel Francis Smith was going over a sheaf of German songs for children, given him by a friend, the composer Lowell Mason. Sunset shadows crept into the room and Smith was tired from a strenuous day of study. He was relieved to spend a few relaxed moments going over his friend's music.

As he hummed over one after another, one struck his fancy. He glanced at the words at the bottom of the page and his knowledge of German told him that the words were patriotic, but they did not appeal to him. He decided to write his own words. He searched around on his desk until he found a scrap of paper, about five or six inches long and two and one half inches wide. On this, as he tapped out the rhythm of the music, he began to write,

My country, tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing,
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From every mountain side
Let freedom ring."

It is no coincidence that the song we now refer to as "America" was composed during the very patriotic month of February.

In 4-H we learn about patriotism through the reciting of the pledge of allegiance, learning proper flag etiquette (how to properly display, fold and retire it from service, the meaning behind the colors), and learning patriotic songs at club meetings and camp. We learn that freedom includes the price of people giving their lives in service of this country.

It is through the proper appreciation of the sacrifices of the former generations that we can fully appreciate the freedoms we have today. Let Freedom Ring.

Have a great February!

Jeannie Moreno, Youth Program Assistant

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4-H Club Reports

Next Leaders Council meeting will be March 1st starting at 7 p.m. here at the Extension Office. Agenda: Achievement Night and Master Gardeners plant sale/concessions.

One of your duties as a reporter is to take notes at each meeting and prepare a report for the county 4-H office. Please send your club news to the 4-H office by the last day of the month so that it may be published in the 4-H Clover Sayings. You can either drop your report off at the extension office or send by mail to: Webster County 4-H, 800 S. Marshall, Marshfield, MO 65706. **Please send your club news to the 4-H office as soon as your meeting is over so that it may be published in the Clover Sayings for the next month newsletter.**

Country Cardinals 4-H. Niangua - 2nd Wednesday of the month 6:30 pm, Niangua School we had our February meeting and discussed new and old business. Some old business is online enrollment and cereal drive. Some new topics we discussed were Bright & Bold, Neosho, and Making the best better. The dairy kids also got together and discussed the Hoard's Dairyman Judging Contest. We had a good time and hope to see more people there next time! Reporter- Lila Wantland

Heartbeat of the Ozarks 4-H. Marshfield 2nd Tuesday of the Month)- at 6:30 pm, Extension Office.

Mighty Eagles 4-H, Fordland. 3rd Tuesday of the Month)- at 6:30 p.m. Fordland Saddle Club -

Nature Schoolers 4-H Marshfield 2nd Tuesday of the Month - 10 am Extension Office.

Seymour 4-H, Seymour (2nd Monday of the Month) - at 6:30 p.m. Seymour Fire Station

Policies for 4-H organizations

Did you know that our 4-H Clover has the same prestige and protection as the Presidential Seal or the Olympic Symbol? All of us care deeply about 4-H programs and young people. As "keepers of the clover," we are responsible for ensuring that all aspects of the 4-H program are of the highest quality and in accordance with approved 4-H policies.

Good financial management is an important aspect of our responsibility to 4-H. Since 1998, the required financial policies for any Missouri 4-H organization (clubs, county councils, committees and other groups that use the 4-H name) have been laid out in the publication Missouri 4-H Treasurer's Record Book Y672.

All entities (clubs, councils, committees) that use the 4-H name MUST use this record book and meet or exceed the policies outlined in this publication.

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2018 4-H Enrollment

IMPORTANT—Please read

- ☑ All enrollments should have been submitted. If you haven't please do so ASAP.
- ☑ If you are showing incomplete and it's something you can't seem to resolve give us a call.
- ☑ If you are still showing pending in the system, chances are we have not received your member dues. Until dues are received you will not show as an 'active' 4-H member. See timeline.

If you paid your club leader, please verify with her that dues have been submitted to the office.

Until you are active in the system, you will not show up on any project report for project leaders. Which means meetings may be held without you.

Enrollment timeline:

- ☑ Member enrolls online. If all sections are completed then member is in 'pending' status. If the status is 'incomplete' and you think that you have entered all information and **submitted** it, please call the office and we can help you through it.
- ☑ Pay by credit card or check (if paying by check, make sure to get your dues to your club leader at the **next meeting**).
- ☑ **Club leaders** get the dues to the office **ASAP**. Please do not hold on to them thinking you will turn them all in at once.
- ☑ After dues are received in the office, we (county office) review/approve enrollment and members are set to 'active' status.
- ☑ Paying by credit card speeds up the activation process. Once the credit card is approved, we review the enrollment and approve/activate the member.
- ☑ **Volunteer club or project leader** must complete/submit to the county office an *Annual Background Check Consent Form LG639*. After the background check has been approved, volunteer has enrolled online and the one-time volunteer orientation is complete, then we are able to set you as 'active'. Until all of these steps are met, project leaders cannot hold project meetings.
- ☑ Once everything is processed, club/volunteer leaders will have access to their members in 4-H online. If you have further questions, please contact the county office.

New State Fair Guidelines

Scrapbooking exhibits should be a 1 page/1 side representative of the complete scrapbook.

Size not to exceed 12"x12".

All pages should be in clear protective sleeve or clear zipper bag.

Do not frame scrapbook page.

If more than one page is submitted for an exhibit, the exhibit will be disqualified.

Educational Display depth is going back to 6 inches.

Exhibit tags need to be attached to perishable items such as food, vegetables and crops.

Significant changes have been made to the photography guidelines. Visit the following link for details
<https://4h.missouri.edu/statefair/4hbuildinginfo>.

NEWS

Get Your Ticket to Leadership!

Congratulations to Olivia Hogan and Justine Justice from Seymour 4-H club who will be attending the 2018 Teen Conference Trip held in Columbia, Mo on March 24-25.



JOANN Rewards Program

Save 15% with JOANN 4-H REWARDS! Current and lifetime members, parents of members, volunteers and 4-H staff can save 15% off total in-store and online purchases everyday with 4-H Rewards. JOANN will give a minimum of 2.5% of every eligible transaction to support 4-H programming. Sign up here:

<http://www.joann.com/4-h/>

17th Annual 4-H Day with the St. Louis Cardinals

Missouri and Illinois 4-H members, parents, volunteers and alumni will gather at Busch Stadium on Saturday, May 19, 2018 for the 17th annual 4-H Day with the Cardinals. The Cardinals will be playing the Philadelphia Phillies in a 1:15 p.m. game. Tickets for the game will be \$25.00 each and includes a specially designed t-shirt featuring the 4-H Clover on the back and the Cardinals emblem on the front.

4-H members, leaders, alumni, and their families who purchase 4-H Day with the Cardinals tickets will have the opportunity to participate in a parade around the Busch Stadium outfield. Pre-game ceremonies will include a recitation of the 4-H pledge and ceremonial first pitches by an Illinois and Missouri 4-H member. As an added bonus the Cardinals give-away item for the game is a replica 1968 National League Championship ring. The first 30,000 fans age 16 and older will receive this one-of-a-kind item.

Tickets for the event must be ordered on the 4-H Day with the Cardinals order form. Ticket order forms are available on the web at www.mo4h.missouri.edu. Ticket orders must be postmarked by April 9, 2018. Tickets usually sell out before the order deadline so families are encouraged to order early. 4-H Clubs, counties, or groups of families who would like to be seated together must send their orders in the same envelope.

Families can also participate in the 4-H Day with the Cardinals raffle to win prizes such as throwing out the first pitch, autographed baseballs, and tickets to other Cardinal baseball games. Funds raised through the raffle support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs. 4-H Day with the Cardinals has raised \$77,000.00 to support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs in the first 16 years. Complete information about the 4-H Day with the Cardinals raffle is on the ticket order form.

Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshops

· Shooting Sports Leader Certification - March 23-25 at Camp Jo-Ota - Registration now open in 4HOnline
 · Hunting and Outdoor Skills - April 13-15 Camp Windermere - Registration opens Feb. 1 in 4HOnline

STATE/NATIONAL NEWS

State 4-H Congress

Mark your calendars now and get registered for the 2018 State 4-H Congress. May 30-June 1. Registration opens for delegates on March 1. The State Council have worked hard to plan our event this year to be different and new!!!

Sessions geared toward Career/College Readiness will be offered for several different Career Pathways. You will have a choice of selecting two different sessions in the morning on Thursday. The afternoon Leadership Sessions are all new subjects.

We have been invited to have our Wednesday evening meal in the Columns Club on the east side of Mizzou Stadium and then a tour of that area after dinner.

Scholarship applications are available from your county 4-H Specialist and are due to the State Office on February 20. They must be signed by your local 4-H staff member and returned to the State Office on or before the deadline in order to be eligible.

4-H Move Across Missouri (MOVE)

MOVE is back for 2018! Youth and adults can register for it on 4HOnline! Enrollment for new and re-enrollment for current MOVERs continues until May 1 (please make sure to register by May 1 so you can participate in the competition!). As you know, MOVE promotes physical activity and encourages youths to engage in a broad range of activities such as walking, biking, running, swimming, dance, taekwondo, gardening and more.

Here is what youth and adults need to do to participate: Enroll in the Move Across Missouri (MOVE) project (HF775) in 4HOnline in their profile. Enrollment in 4-H MOVE does not count as a part of county limits on projects. Enroll in the Move Across Missouri (MOVE) project (HF775) in 4HOnline in their profile. Enrollment in 4-H MOVE does not count as a part of county limits on projects. Using a paper tracking system found on the 4-H website at: <http://4h.missouri.edu/4hmove/moveinfo>, youth and their families can "log" the number of minutes they accumulate throughout the year and during the competitive component of the MOVE program (scroll to the bottom of the website page and click "My Move Activity Log"). Record keeping through the paper tracking system is important because the competition period will be from February 1 to April 30. Youth and families will submit their total number of minutes logged and activities (basketball, running, chores, etc.) throughout the 12 week competitive period between May 1 - 15 in 4HOnline.

4-Hers and adults can register for the competitive event as individuals and/or as part of a team. An individual MOVER may also be a part of a team. A team can consist of a family or members of a 4-H club or group. MOVE awards will be provided.

For more information about 4-H MOVE visit - <http://4h.missouri.edu/4hmove/main> Using a paper tracking system found on the 4-H website at: <http://4h.missouri.edu/4hmove/moveinfo>, youth and their families can "log" the number of minutes they accumulate throughout the year and during the competitive component of the MOVE program (scroll to the bottom of the website page and click "My Move Activity Log"). Record keeping through the paper tracking system is important because the competition period will be from February 1 to April 30. Youth and families will submit their total number of minutes logged and activities (basketball, running, chores, etc.) throughout the 12 week competitive period between May 1 - 15 in 4HOnline.

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2018 Missouri Youth Judging and Grading Contest and Clinic

We are pleased to announce this year's Missouri Livestock Judging and Grading Contest and Clinic, our 30th year at the University of Missouri. This year's event is scheduled for Saturday, March 3 and will continue the long-held traditions of Missouri Livestock judging and offer students the ability to develop their judging skills. Co-sponsored and coordinated by the University of Missouri, the Missouri Department of Agriculture, and the Ag Education Advisory Team, this is a great opportunity to support and develop Missouri's youth involved in animal agriculture.

The clinic is designed for participants in 8th grade or younger and will focus on hands-on learning, working in small groups to learn more about the basics of livestock evaluation, and understanding the importance of USDA grading of cattle. The contest will provide students the ability to develop and test their skills in a contest-like setting.

For more information or to register for this event, please visit <https://www.judgingcard.com/Registration/Info.aspx?ID=7513> .

Some Resources Available to you:

Bullying Prevention The Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA) recently engaged a team of bullying and violence prevention experts to create a resource that can be used by state health departments to assess their current capacity to address bullying and determine any gaps and needs. "Assessing Capacity for Bullying Prevention and Implementing Change" (same link as above) contains two main tools: the Bullying Prevention Capacity Assessment, and the Bullying Prevention Change Package of evidence-based and evidence-informed strategies. Together, these tools will support Title V agencies in reducing bullying prevalence. Other organizations/partners including schools, daycare providers, summer camp programs, youth sports, and other clubs and venues where youth convene can also use them to find meaningful strategies to prevent bullying. For information https://mchb.hrsa.gov/maternal-child-health-initiatives/bullying-prevention?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=

The Opioid Crisis in America Did you know that 90 people die each day from opioid overdose, including prescription pain killers and heroin? New statistics from the 2016 National Survey on Drug Use and Health Survey <https://www.samhsa.gov/data/sites/default/files/NSDUH-DetTabs-2016/NSDUH-DetTabs-2016.htm#tab7-2A> show that over 18.5 million persons 12 and older have misused prescription drugs in the past year. While this public health crisis might be something you hear about in the news or from others, do you know the facts about opioids? The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), part of the National Institutes of Health, has the information you need to help educate yourself and others about the danger of opioids. https://teens.drugabuse.gov/drug-facts/prescription-pain-medications-opioids?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=

4-H also has a curriculum, Health Rocks!, <https://4-h.org/parents/healthy-living/health-rocks/> designed to help youth make good choices and understand the consequences of tobacco, alcohol, and drug use.

Public Speaking Academy

The 4-H Public Speaking Academy is preparing for its seventh year! Extension faculty, along with 4-H volunteers will provide educational workshops to help youth build their skills and comfort with public speaking. Participants will be guided through the basics and finer points of writing and delivering a speech. Youth will receive individual assistance. The camp is open to all youth 11-13 years of age interested in learning more about public speaking.

The Academy will be June 20-21, 2018 and registration is due May 17. Lodging will be provided on the campus of Central Methodist University in Fayette, Mo. The cost is \$100.

For more information, <http://4h.missouri.edu/public-speaking-academy/main> .



2018 4-H DAY WITH THE CARDINALS

Saturday, May 19, 2018



Ticket Orders Must be Postmarked by April 9, 2018!

4-H members, alumni, families and their friends are invited to join us for 4-H Day with the St. Louis Cardinals, Saturday, May 19. The Cardinals will be playing the Philadelphia Phillies in a 1:15 p.m. game in Busch Stadium. Prior to the game, 4-H members and their parents/leaders can take part in a parade around the ball field—that’s right, participants will actually get to go down on the field and march one time around the stadium behind their state or county 4-H banner. Also, everyone who orders a ticket on this form will receive a specially designed t-shirt featuring the 4-H and Cardinals logos to commemorate the day. **Note: Groups of families or county groups that wish to sit together must send their orders in one package.** Tickets usually sell out, so order early. Tickets and t-shirts will be mailed on May 7.

You could throw out the first pitch of the game, get an autographed baseball, or win other great prizes! 4-H members who participate in the 4-H raffle will have a chance to be selected to throw out the first pitch, and other family members, alumni, and guests can win other great prizes. Each person who completes Section B of the order form will receive one chance to be selected for every \$1 they donate to the 4-H Day with the Cardinals Raffle Fund. You must order tickets on the form below to participate in the raffle. See the back of the form for details and a list of prizes.

Return this form to:

Rhonda Shafer, University of Missouri Extension, 310 Salisbury, Suite E, Montgomery City, MO 63361
For more information: (636) 528-7038, <http://www.4h.missouri.edu/4h-day-with/4h-day-with-cardinals>

TICKET ORDER FORM

All orders must be postmarked by April 9, 2018.

Complete both parts of this form to be eligible for all 4-H Day with the Cardinals opportunities.

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ County: _____

Street City State Zip

Section A: Complete this part to order tickets and t-shirts for 4-H Day with the Cardinals. Tickets and t-shirts will be mailed on May 7. Tickets are for Pavilion seating. All tickets are \$25.00. All sales are final, no refunds.

Payment must be received with order.

Section B—4-H Raffle: Complete this part to have an opportunity to throw out the first pitch or win other great prizes! Each \$1 donation to the 4-H Day with the Cardinals Raffle Fund provides one chance to win. Be sure to indicate the number of chances for each family member. All proceeds will be used to support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs.

Name: _____ Age _____ #Chances: _____
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Section A	
Please indicate how many of each size t-shirt you will need:	
_____	Youth Large
_____	Adult Medium
_____	Adult X-Large
_____	Tickets @\$25 each. \$_____
Section B	
Total number of 4-H raffle chances:	
_____	chances @\$1 \$_____
Total Enclosed: \$_____	
Make checks payable to: Montgomery County Extension Council	

Schedule of Events
4-H DAY WITH THE CARDINALS
Saturday, May 19, 2018

<http://www.4h.missouri.edu/4h-day-with/4h-day-with-cardinals>

- 11:00 - 11:45 am All members who wish to participate in parade around the ball field arrive. We will send information on where to gather when we send tickets and t-shirts.
- 11:45 am..... Enter stadium and line up for parade.
- 12:30 pm Pre-Game Ceremony, including first pitches and 4-H Pledge.
- 1:15 pm Play Ball!

Note: We have a limited number of seats, and have usually sold out early. Seats will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. So send your order as quickly as possible.

All ticket orders must be postmarked by April 9!

4-H Raffle Details

Winners will be notified after May 1.

Prizes will be mailed to winners after the game.

Each dollar donated to 4-H in the raffle will provide one chance to win. First prize, the opportunity to throw out the first pitch, must be awarded to a 4-H member only. All other prizes are available to youths and adults. All funds donated will be used to support Missouri and Illinois 4-H programs. You must purchase 4-H Day with the Cardinals tickets on the attached form if you wish to participate in the 4-H raffle.

Prizes:

- 1st Prize: Throw out the first pitch (must be a 4-H member), one Missouri and one Illinois winner.
- 2nd-4th Prize: Four tickets to watch a 2018 Cardinal game in all inclusive seats (includes tickets, food, and beverages). Approximate value - \$400
- 5th-16th Prize: Baseball autographed by a Cardinal player.
- 17-21Prize: Vouchers for four tickets to a 2018 Cardinal baseball game (\$80 - \$100 value).

SOUTHWEST REGIONAL

R.A.T.T. Trip

Dolly
Parton's
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It or Not



Discovery
Center



DATE April 21 - 22, 2018

WHERE Branson and Springfield

Cost: \$100